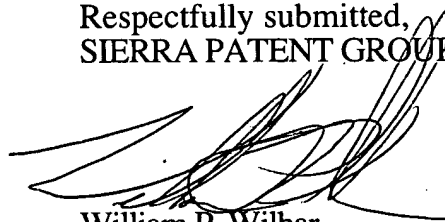


REMARKS

In an office action dated 16 July 2004, the Examiner objects to the specification, objects to claim 4, and rejects claims 1-3, 5-15, and 20-27. The Examiner also allows claims 16-19, 28, and 29. In response to the office action, Applicants amend the specification, and cancel claims 1-15, and 20-27. Claims 16-19 and 28-29 remain pending in the Application. In light of these amendments, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner allow the claims and the Application.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this amendment or the Application in general, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 775-586-9500.

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